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FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM A TRANSLATION OF OKAZ INTERVIEW WITH MINPET AHMET ZAKI YAMANI: "... YAMANI WAS ASKED ABOUT THE MEASURE TO BE TAKEN BY THE KINGDOM IN THE FACE OF THE STANCE TAKEN BY THE TAPLINE COMPANY WITH REGARD TO STOPPING THE PUMPING OF OIL TO THE LEBANESE PORT OF SIDEON, BECAUSE AS THE COMPANY EXPLAINED, IT COULD NOT BEAR THE EXPENSES INVOLVED IN PUMPING THE OIL IN VIEW OF THE RISING OIL PRICES. SHEIKH YAMANI REPLIED BY SAYING THAT THE COMPANIES OWNING THE TAPLINE INCURRED GREAT LOSSES AS A RESULT OF OPERATING THE LINE THEREBY LEADING TO A TEMPORARY STOPPAGE WHICH MAY EVENTUALLY, MAY GOD FORBID, LEAD TO ITS PERMANENT STOPPAGE. HE ADDED THAT HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT WAS NOT HAPPY WITH WHAT HAD TAKEN PLACE AND THAT IT WOULD

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DO ITS UTMOST, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER PARTIES CONCERNED,

TO RE-OPEN THE LINE ON JUST AND REASONABLE BASIS SO THAT
THE BROTHERS MAY AVOID THE ADVERSE EFFECTS RESULTING
FROM THE STOPPAGE OF THE LINE."

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